GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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AIR LINKS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether a perspective plan for connecting each Districts of the country by air has been prepared;

(b) if so, the estimated amount required for this project;

(c) the time by which it is likely to be given a final shape;

(d) the districts of various States including Maharashtra that have been connected with the air-services as on date;

(e) the districts which are proposed to be connected with air-services during the current financial year; and

(f) the time by which all the districts of the country are likely to be connected with air-services?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a):- No, Sir.

(b) and (c):- Does not arise.

(d):- At present, following stations are connected with air-services - Portblair, Hyderabad, Tirupati, Vizag, Puttaparthy, Patna, Guwahati, Jorhat, Dibrugarh, Silchar, Tezpur, Chandigarh, Amritsar, Delhi, Diu, Goa, Ahmedabad, Vadodara, Bhuj, Rajkot, Bhavnagar, Porbandar, Jamnagar, Jammu, Srinagar, Leh, Bangalore, Mangalore, Calicut, Cochin, Trivandrum, Indore, Khajuraho, Bhopal, Gwalior, Jabalpur, Mumbai, Pune, Aurangabad, Nagpur, Imphal, Bhubaneshwar, Jaipur, Udaipur, Jodhpur, Jaisalmer, Coimbatore, Chennai, Madurai, Trichi, Lucknow, Varanasi, Agra, Dehradun, Calcutta, Bagdogra, Shimla, Kulu, Dharamshala, Ranchi, Raipur, Aizwal, Dimapur, Agartala and Agati.

(e):- Airlines are free to operate to any station depending upon the traffic demand and commercial viability subject to compliance with the route dispersal guidelines.

(f):- Such eventuality cannot be forecast at this stage.